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Now, the cowboy is a good fellow in his

way, and it is a robust, anti-dude way, too. I haven't a word against him, but, on the I haven't a word against him, but, on the contrary, a lively memory of many kindnesses at his handa. He is no rougher than most of us would become by the banging about in these savage wildernesses. His virtues are more than a few, and as virile as his vices. The wholesale damnation piled upon him by some virtuous people is not only unjust but foolish. As an Indian lighter, however, he is a rank failure. He gallons around at a safe distance, whoors gailops around at a safe distance, whoops and swings his hat and shoots (to the mortal detriment of space) and paralyzes every-thing but the foe. If you fancy from this that he is a coward, you were never worse fooled. There is no class of men in the world, I presume, more utterly contemptu-ous of death. He will rub noses daily with the bony old conquerer without a twitch of

WILL PACE DANGERS HE CAN SEE. But he wants to know about it to see his game. In the bar-room broil where the game. In the bar-room ered where he friendly glass spills an ugly word, the word is echoed back by a blow, and the blow gets answer in the flash of twenty revolvers—there the cowboy is at hone. He will stand like a rock and face the murderous music of the .44's, his own barking back defiantly. Shoot him full of holes and he will yet fetch down his man. Here he is acquainted—in his own phrase, he "savvies the burro." But it is "the danger that we know not of" which "makes cowards of us all." Whatever may be said to the contrary, the cow-boy knows nil about Indians. It isn't his business. A danger that he can see, he will face like a hero, but when it comes to a hunt in which he has to deal with an invisible, an unknown, and a mysterious foe-he "isn't there." I don't blame him-it is simply human. To lope or creep through a country bleak, rugged and desolate beyond descrip-tion; ami i a silence heavy enough to break the heart; seeing no sign of life; yet know-ing that any innocent tuft of bear-grass, any cactus rosette, any lonely rock may, without any warning, spit out its little puff of smoke with a leaden message to your heart-isn't it enough to make any one a lectic shaky? Bravery alone is not an ade-quate stiff-nor-it takes use and acquaint-

And there is another point wherein the cowboy is at a loss. He is without discipline, and without that all the courage in the world will not effect a solutier. A solutier he never will be. Discipline him and he would be no longer a cowboy, for his absolute independence and individuality are himself. If it would amuse any one to col-lect cowboys and hurl them at the evanescent Apache, probably there will be no objection. Neither cowboys or Indians will suffer, and there will be as much fun as isn't blood.-Fort Bowie (A. T.) Cor. Inter-

All that is required to make a glass-eater out of a man is for him to have the nerve to chew it up and swallow. There is no special gift beyond this required. The doc-tors who say there is danger in swallowing glass may be all right, but I have never had any difficulty with it except once, just after I began swallowing it. I took a dose of salts one night and soon felt my insides gripting me. I thought it was the glass, and leit sure I was gone, but I wasn't. I have been eating glass for six years, and it hasn't done me any harm yet. I wasllow glasses at 25 per bottle, but I guess I am classes at 25 per bottle, but I guess I am

Diminution of Brewers in England. A matter which is attracting much attention in England is the rapid diminution of the number of brewers. Sixteen years ago the brewers of the United Kingdom num-bered 32,000. Between 1870 and 1889 they grew fewer at the rate of 1,000 a year, and at the last mentioned ate only mustered some 22,000. In 1881 they had become re-duced to 15,000. Since hen the decline has been less rapid, but at they are yearly losing ground to a sur; rising extent. They losing ground to a sur, rising extent. They number at the present time only 18,000, or 19,000 less than sixteen years ago.—London

varieties of wild flowers in Los Angeles county.

HOW TO MAKE BRETZELS.

nce at the Dainties in Their Most "Good morning, Herr Goetz," said a young an to a Bleecker street baker who holds a

"Good morning." Then, after the visitor had explained his object, the baker re-"Vant to find out somedings about bret rels, eh! Vhy don' yer look in some books

I don' know ven, or vhere, or how dey came to be made. Guess id vas in Chermany, pe-fore der floodt." Zell's, Chamber's, and Johnson's diction aries and the American encyclopedias say nothing about bretzels. The infallible En-cyclopedia Brittamica, never heard of the foreign stuff. No German-American dictionary contains the word "pretzel." or "bretzel." The Encyclopedia of Cookery knows nothing about such pastry. Wor-cester is ignorant of the word, and Web-ster, prince of lexicographers, tells all he knows in one line:

ws in one line "Bretzel sel), n. [Ger.] A kind of hard

"The people want to know how they are made, Mr. Goetz," said the visitor. "A bretzel is such a curious piece of delicatessen; such a horny, sait, hard-shelled, twisted jawbreaker that they want to know all bout them "

It had been quite a task to find the baker, whose shop is down an alley, back of a store, and is surrounded by a woodyard. No sounds came from the bakery, but through the dusty, flour-covered windows men were seen moving about, and a bright light shone out as from an open firmace door. Herr Goetz rested his broad shoulders against a wood pile, straightened his arms out along the pile and said:

"Tell der poople dot I make me one dousand fife hundred bretzels efery day—dot uses up dreequarters of a barrel of flour; tell dem dot one man, if he is quick, can roll un twist about fife hundred of dem in one hour; dot der dough is put drough der

hour; dot der dough is put drough der kneading machine more dan a hundred times; unt dot it is made mit hop yeast, shust like bread. Tell den dot der "sponge" stands iife hours by der tick of der watch. Go open der door und see for yourself."

Tables, trays, shelves, boards, and an old cellar door were covered with unbaked bretcellar door were covered with unbaked bretzela. They were smooth, and as white as ivory. A small boy gathered them up on his fingers, like rings, and dropped them, like doughnuts, into a kettle ful of strong, boiling iya. A baker, in white overalls, with apron, and cap, finished with a perforated iadle like a skimmer for the white dumplings in the lye kettle. Another baker, with a long-handled wooden shovel, stood near with a barrel of coarse sait at his side. The steaming, wet bretzels were laid in rows on the shovel, were sprinkled with sait, and then, by a dexterous twist of the wrist, were landed on the brick floor at the lack end of an open Dutch oven.

Lack end of an open Dutch oven.
"Why do you steep them in lye, Mr.
Goetz?" asked the young man, returning to the wood pile.
"You don' know dot, do you, eh! Ne don' L My fa 'er made 'em like dot. He is dead, unt I bromised nefer to give id

The ride from Esquintia to Guatemala is worth going a long way to see and enjoy. The air is that of spring—indeed this table land of Guatemala has only vernal heats. Neither frost or scorching sun ever come here—one long May day lasts the year round. This is called the summer season, round. This is called the summer season, because it is rainless, but winter does not diminish the temperature, only it brings with it a wilder profusion of odors, flowers and green pastures and fields. Even now one sees springs bursting from the rocks and brooks and rushing down to lakes and rivers. The supply of water for all possible needs of the house, field and manufactory is ample.

Irrigation goes on in many places, doubling the products of the soil and furnishing every day in the year fresh vegetables for the market. The number a d variety of these products under the influnce

variety of these products under the influnce of daily irrigation streams almost bewiller one unused them. The strange fruits and vegetables seen daily in the great market of the city puzzle me, though time and again I have had the names given and have as often

There is the aguacate-alligator pear-a fruit of the side of a small, round cantelope, with a dark blue skin; in its center a nut or seed and between the nut and rind a soft substan e something of the consistency of the yolk of a hard boiled egg. I have never fancied it until yesterday, when the waiter asked me to try it in the soup. From liking it there I learned to appreciate why it is held in such esteem among the people here in any form. Muskmelons and watermelons are very plenty, and I do not now think of a single vegetable of the north that is not found here, while there are many we never even rend about. The vegetable gardens lie around the city as well as out in the country, and the women, who seem to be the gardeners and huskers, bring their products in great loads on their heads and backs, though this part of the work is often shared by the men.—Guatemala Cor. Kansas City

The fire brigade of Norwich is certainly not in a condition which Capt. Shaw would pronounce efficient. A short time ago a telegram was received one afternoon an-nouncing a fire at a country house eight miles off, and asking for immediate asset-ance. The brigade were quickly mustered at the Guildhail, but more than an hour at the Guildhail, but more than an hour elapsed before the engine left, as there were no horses, and when at last it did start it was drawn by four jaded cab-horses, the spectacle exciting the utmost derision in the city, as the brutes, not understanding their position, kept plunging and rearing, and the engine came to a dead halt, until an obliging trooper of the Fourth hussars was good enough to mount one of the leaders, and he succeeded in getting them off, but they did not arrive at the scene of the fire they did not arrive at the scene of the fire till the flames had been extinguished by the zealous efforts of the people of the neighbor-ing village. In a city like Norwich one is justified in looking for a thoroughly wellorganized fire-brigade, and the sooner the present slip-slop arrangements are altered by the local authorities the better it will be for the inhabitants - London Truth.

Mineral Waters Made to Order. Ninety per cent of the mineral waters sold here, and I presume in all large cities, is manufactured stuff, and no matter what the name applied to it—Kissingen, Vichy, Blue Lick, Seltzer, or anything else—is made by the barrelful from clear water with common salt and the usual carbonates glasses, at 25 per tottle, but I guess I am the only man in the city who keeps it on hasn't done me any harm yet. I swallow about six ounces of it every day, and I do not diet myself in any particular way. I eat, outside of glass, just the same dishes other people eat—Leonard, the Glass-Fater. af mineral water drank in St. Louis. I af mineral water drank in St. Louis, I guess nearly all druggists sell more of it than they do of sods water: at least, that

In personal appearance Father Ryan was a very striking man. He had a clear, open countenance and a lofty forebead. His eyes were tilue and kindly. Besides being a post, he was a musician. He would freioners, and, teding the servant not to call any one, would take his seat at the piano. With a cigar between his teeth, he would 19,000 less than sixteen years ago.—London
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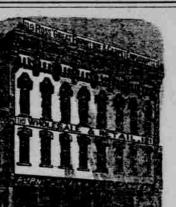
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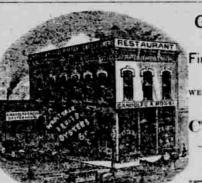
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